

A TRIP TO THE HOT SPRINGS.

En route to the Hot Springs the New England party agreed to keep together and visit the Charleston Exposition; but as the days passed disintegration set in, and the transportation problem seemed difficult of solution. A special train from St. Louis to Charleston would cost \$950, and beyond it would have to be a go as you please. Some of the delegates had transportation from Richmond or Norfolk to New York by the Dominion line, but that left out Washington, which, to the writer, at least, was of more interest than Charleston. Friday Mr. Fairbanks of the Natick Bulletin received a telegram stating that there had been a fire in the block in which his office is located and that the plant was considerably damaged. Saturday afternoon I learned that he had decided to start for home that evening, and that another delegate would accompany him. The convention had adjourned, the Hot Springs been "done," Sunday was coming with nothing to do but lounge on the hotel veranda, the mercury was mounting higher and higher, and thoughts of home and the cool breezes of the Maine coast brought about a sudden determination to cut loose from the coming festivities at Little Rock and St. Louis—the Charleston trip had then been given up—and join the little party bound northward. At 7:10 p. m. we boarded our Pullman at Hot Springs for St. Louis. It was a new car very handsomely finished, but somehow did not seem as home-like as the Pandora in which we made the outward trip, and we missed "George," our very attentive porter. It would have been a dull evening if we had not had as a fellow passenger, Mr. J. M. Page, Corresponding Secretary of the N. E. A., who had been called home on business. He entertained us with what seems now, as I recall bits of the talk, like a fairy tale. While at the Hot Springs he had closed a deal by wire in which \$60,000 was paid for one-eighth interest in a company owning a new process for extracting gold from ore. The purchase carried with it the right to use the process in mines owned by Mr. Page and his friends. One or two dirty yielding \$100 per ton under the old process had produced \$500 by the new method, with a proportionate yield from higher grade ores. Mr. Page told us of numerous tests and their results, but I made no notes at the time and will not undertake to give the figures. He showed us a button of pure gold, and a vial containing a dark colored mixture which did not look in the least like gold, but when some of it was taken on a knife blade and spread on the margin of a newspaper it assumed the proper yellow color. In extracting gold by washing the yellow metal is deposited, but by this new process the gold is obtained from a semi composed of infinitesimal particles. This is as much as I can recollect of the talk, but of course the process used is a secret.

In nearing St. Louis the next morning I was much interested in the river boats, not having seen any craft of this kind for more than a third of a century, and still recalling many pleasant trips on them on the "Big Muddy" and other western rivers. But the boats I saw were only the comparatively little stern-wheelers—sometimes called wheelbarrow boats—and I wondered if the big side-wheel passenger boats had gone entirely out of existence. The Eclipse and the A. L. Shotwell were the most noted boats of ante bellum days, and their fame was world-wide. At the Paris Exposition an oil painting of the race between the Eclipse and Shotwell was sold to a wealthy Frenchman for \$5,000. The Eclipse was completed in 1852 at a cost of over \$300,000. She was 365 feet over all, and finished in the most palatial style. The Natchez was another crack boat of that day. Then there was the Princess, a Louisville and New Orleans packet, and the Falls City, which plied between New Orleans and St. Louis. The writer enjoyed a race in the Princess from New Orleans to Louisville, and had a narrow escape from making the victims of an explosion on the Falls City number 27 instead of 26. The Vicksburg was another famous craft which was running between New Orleans and Vicksburg at the outbreak of the Civil War. Her commander was Capt. John W. Cannon, the most noted Southern navigator of his day. He also built and commanded the Gen. John A. Quitman, one of the finest and fastest boats that ever tripped a wheel in Southern waters. His first venture after the war was the famed Robert E. Lee, completed in 1867, a craft truly magnificent in all her appointments and which showed her stern to everything on the river. Here ends the chapter, so far as the writer's personal knowledge of these noted river crafts extends.

It was Sunday morning when we arrived at St. Louis, and we had an hour and a half in which to partake of an excellent breakfast at the Terminal Hotel, secure our berths in the Pullman, and board our train on the Washburn road. On these trains they have a conductor and a collector. The conductor attends solely to running the train, and the collector takes up the tickets and collects the fares. We were told that this plan was adopted because of an accident that occurred when the conductor was collecting fares, and which might have been avoided had he been looking out for the train. This gave the travellers a greater sense of security as they went flying across the country at an average speed of about 45 miles per hour, making the actual time of travel from the Hot Springs, Arkansas, to Portland, Me., only 48 hours. There was very little travel that day, and we had the Pullman practically to ourselves. Our route took us across Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan to Detroit, thence through the Dominion of Canada to Buffalo, and from there

by the West Shore and Boston and Maine to Boston. We saw little from the flying train to interest us, unless it was an oil region, thickly studded with derricks. Farmers were plowing in Arkansas when we left, and we saw recent evidences of the plowman's work in all the States through which we passed; but in our own Kennebec county we found the farmers afield. There was not the difference in vegetation between the south and north that one would expect. When we arrived at the Hot Springs the trees were not full foliaged, but were brought out by the increasing warmth during our stay. Some of the lawns at home were as green as any we saw on the journey; but this was not true of the fields.

Another night in the Pullman and we are in New York State and begin to feel at home. The scenery grows more and more attractive as we advance. The wooded hills the undulating valleys, the clear streams, the cozy homes and the busy factories of New England appeal strongly to the home-comers. One of the party, bound for Connecticut, leaves us before Boston is reached, and at the Hub I say good bye to Brother Fairbanks and continue my journey to Portland, to tarry for the night at the West End, arriving home the next day. C. A. P.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MAINE MATTERS. The lumber drives of the Penobscot are moving steadily toward the mills and thus far no delays of consequence have occurred. Recent estimates place the total cut on the river at 210,000,000 feet. Of this amount 100,000,000 feet will be used by the pulp mills. The remainder will be sent by rail for transshipment by the Ashland Manufacturing Co. and will make about 150,000,000 feet of manufactured lumber to be shipped out of Bangor this summer. On the Kennebec the drives have reached the different mills along the river. Portland has given up the idea of having the National Educational Association meet there in 1903; it would have meant the raising of at least \$5,000 and finding quarters for over 10,000 visitors, and it concluded that the cost was more than it was worth. In the new apportionment Warren, Union and Washington towns have been placed in a class, and the Democratic representative will be nominated from Warren this year. Two years ago the class towns were Appleton, Hope and Washington. The death last week in California of Major Sewall Dill removes, perhaps, the last survivor of the famous convention at Strong, in this State at which the Republican party was formed. Major Dill was one of the prime movers in the new party, and all his life was devoted to its principles. He was a man of sterling character, and leaves behind a record of which his descendants may well be proud. From Ellsworth comes the report that William H. Treavor, now confined in the jail of that city, has retained the services of ex-Mayor Charles J. Hurlin of Bangor as associate counsel for him with Oscar E. Fellows of Bucksport, who was appointed by the court. Mrs. James G. Blaine, who usually passes her summer at Bar Harbor, will go to Hampton, Long Island, this summer. The Blaine cottage at Bar Harbor will be occupied by others. The special city election held in Rockland recently to act upon the offer of Andrew Carnegie to give Rockland \$20,000 for a library, resulted in a majority in the affirmative. The vote was 150 yes to 30 no. Harold L. Hanson, a graduate of Colby college in the class of '99, and this spring a member of the graduating class at the Newton Theological seminary at West Newton, Mass., has been called to the Baptist church at Kennebunk, and it is stated that he will accept the invitation. A satisfactory adjustment has been made between the owners of the Hallowell granite works and their employees. The men wanted pay for work at eight hours according to the nine-hour schedule. A Washington dispatch says the President is arranging to make one speech in Maine during the coming campaign, probably in Portland. He is conferring with the Maine delegation on the subject. The following Maine postmasters have had their salaries increased under the annual readjustment. Camden, from \$2,200 to \$2,500; Castine, from \$1,200 to \$1,300; Cumberland Mills, from \$1,200 to \$1,300; Fort Fairfield, from \$1,400 to \$1,500; Freeport, from \$1,300 to \$1,400; Prof. John S. Sewall, D. D., for the past 23 years occupant of the chair of sacred rhetoric, homiletics, pastoral theology and sociology in the Bangor Theological Seminary, has handed his resignation to the trustees to take effect a year from this June. Prof. Sewall, who has long been considered one of the strongest men in the seminary, previous to his coming to Bangor was professor of literature and rhetoric at Bowdoin College, prior to which he was a chaplain in the navy. Chairman Hughes announces that the Hon. John B. Madigan of Houston has been selected as the chairman of the Democratic State Convention, which is to be held at Bangor, June 17th. According to the Insurance Press Maine received nearly two million in death benefits last year. \$18,000 was paid in Rockland, \$3,517 in Thomaston, \$14,490 in Yarmouth, \$10,188 in St. George, \$10,000 in Rockport, \$1,263 in South Thomaston, \$2,000 in Monhegan, and \$4,000 in Friendship. "Everything indicates that the Maine State Fair for the year 1902 will be a success," says Secretary Chase. The fair will be held on September 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th. The stake events are as follows: 2.50 trot, \$300; 2.50 pace, \$300; 2.35 trot, \$300; 2.30 pace, \$300; 2.27 trot, \$300; 2.25 pace, \$300; trotting foals four years old and under, \$300; pacing foals, four years old and under, \$300. Colt must be eligible to 2.40 class. The 1st District Prohibition convention, at Portland, May 22nd, nominated Franklin Skilgins of Portland, for representative to Congress. During a heavy thunder storm, May 24th, the Ellsworth Lumber Co. mill was struck and burned. Some lumber was also burned. The loss is about \$20,000, with very small if any insurance. Lightning also struck a stable on Main street belonging to Dr. A. C. Hagerthy, causing slight damage.

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LETTER FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of The Journal.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 3. United States Fish Commissioner G. M. Bowers has notified Gov. Burleigh of the distribution a few days ago of several large assignments of brook trout fry in the lower sections of the Third Congressional District. Gov. Burleigh has taken a keen interest since he came to Congress in stocking the lakes and streams of his district with fish, furnished by the Fish Commission of this city, and during the present spring he has been unusually successful in securing a large quota for different citizens in the third district. The distribution is made on Gov. Burleigh's endorsement and now amounts to hundreds of thousands of brook trout fry for the Third District. The distribution is not yet completed. Some of the more recent assignments planted in Maine waters are as follows:

On request of Mr. A. L. McCarrison of Seabrook, Me., 15,000 brook trout fry for stocking Quantabac Pond, Seabrook, Me.

On request of Mr. D. W. Dodge of Freedom, 15,000 brook trout fry for stocking Sandy Pond, in that town.

On request of Mr. C. E. Leach of Blue Hill, Hancock County, Me., 4,000 brook trout fry for stocking Norris Pond, near Bluehill village.

On request of Mr. W. A. Eiskine of Pittsfield, Somerset County, 15,000 brook trout fry for stocking Unity Pond, at Burnham and Troy, Me.

On request of Mr. Edward Murphy of East Vassalboro, 15,000 brook trout fry for stocking China Lake, in China and Vassalboro.

it for a month or so. The Maine men here have assured him that the people of the Pine Tree State would be proud of an opportunity to show their loyalty and confidence in the chief magistrate of the Union, and the President really wants to go to Maine and address an audience in one of the large cities, where he can meet the largest possible number of voters. Senator Hale and Gov. Burleigh and others of the delegation will perfect the arrangements for the trip from this end, if it is made.

When the River and Harbor Appropriation bill and the Omnibus Public bill shall have been signed by the President Gov. Burleigh will have a big load off his shoulders. He has been on the go almost constantly during the last week or ten days, looking after the interests of Maine in those two bills. Since the bills went into conference there have been disagreements between the two houses regarding Maine items to be adjusted, the largest of them affecting the third district. The outlook now is that the Third District will get the largest sums voted by either House, saving only the Bar Harbor project, which will probably be left out, as there is some money still available in the War Department wherewith the improvement of the harbor and the construction of the breakwater can be continued until another river and harbor bill is passed.

Spain's Boy King.

King Alfonso XIII. of Spain was crowned on May 17. On that day the young ruler reached the age of sixteen, the age of majority for royalty according to the Spanish law. The king owes



KING ALFONSO XIII. OF SPAIN

much to his royal mother, the queen regent Christina, who for sixteen years has held the crown safely for her son through all the vicissitudes of Spanish politics.

Pointed Paragraphs.

A lot of good people enjoy telling bad news.

When extremes meet they soon get chummy.

Duty and inclination seldom shoot the same chute.

To err is human; to forgive is often akin to diplomacy.

Cuddlesome winter girls have no use for warm weather.

Some men waste a lot of time wishing it were tomorrow.

Truth never dodges up an alley, no matter how it meets.

Real estate dealers' lives should be filled with good deeds.

Truth is always mighty enough to hurt somebody a little.

Charity covers a multitude of so-called sacred concerts.

A girl's favorite writer is the author of her first love letter.

If you want your wife to act like an angel treat her like one.

A bachelor says women can talk twice as fast as they can think.

Approval of a man's conscience seldom helps to boost his salary.

The efforts of some people to look pleasant are positively painful.

It is difficult for a man to decide when he will cease to be middle-aged.

It is often impossible for a man to go ahead after he is sure he is right.

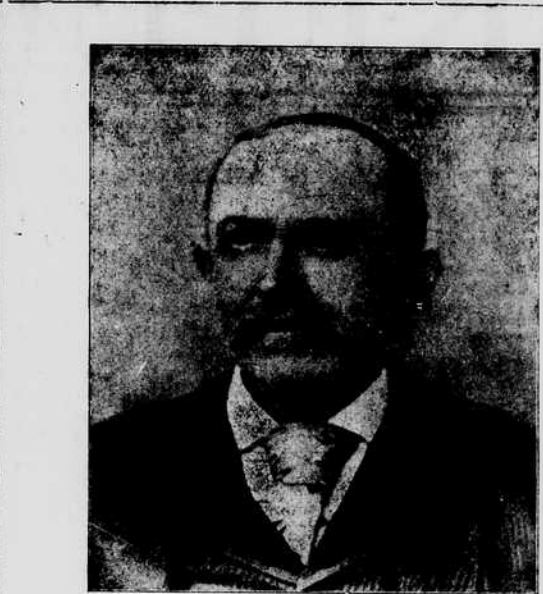
It is because the world loves to be amused that all the world loves a lover.

To arrive at the value of an individual a man must be measured by others.

When a young husband becomes a father he feels as happy as he looks scared.

Many a man's pessimistic views of life are due to his acquaintance with himself.

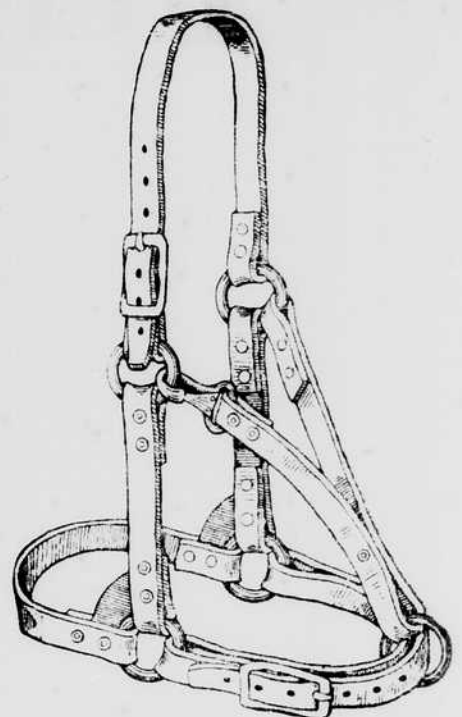
All women are not devoid of the sense of humor, if one may judge by the way some wives manage their husbands.—Chicago News.



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couldn't hold them. This story is all fact and not in the slightest overdrawn. Such wilful starvation of men on vessels could not now be practiced with impunity. Should I ever swindle the stomachs of mankind in that way, besides the well merited fines and punishments to follow, I would never again be able to look a pair of trousers in the face. Some years afterwards, on hearing of that captain's death (by drowning), my first thought was to wonder if he might not be embarrassed if he should meet in heaven with any of

In addition to the work on the Kennebec, the Geological Survey has also established a gaging station on the Penobscot River at Montague, where measurements are made by two senior students of the University of Maine.

There is throughout the State, especially among power users, a general interest felt in this work, and a desire often publicly expressed that it should be extended to other rivers of the State.

This sunny birthday morn;
 ad take this song which sorrow sha
 To music like thine own,
 ad sing it to thy cliffs and capes
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